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## RAILROAD STRIKE AVERTED BY MEDIATION

### ZEPPELINS' BOMBS KILL FOUR, INJURE SCORE DURING RAID

Big Fleet of Airships in Attacks on English and Scottish Ports Drop 160 Bombs—Russian Capture Thousands of Germans in New Offensive Movement in Eastern Theatre of War—Germans Gain Along Somme River.

London, Aug. 9.—Four persons were killed and 19 wounded this morning when a fleet of Zeppelins raided the east coast of England and the southeast coast of Scotland. The dead include three women and one child. The material damage was heavy.

Seven to ten Zeppelins took part in the raid, according to an official statement issued this afternoon. One hundred and sixty bombs were dropped at various points along the coast.

Flying at a great height, the Zeppelins were able to escape the heavy fire from the anti-aircraft guns. All of the raiders got away safely, it is believed.

One of the raiders dropped 20 and another 15 incendiary bombs. Because of the height at which the airships flew, their aim was inaccurate and many bombs fell into the sea.

### RUSSIANS TAKE 7,400 CAPTIVES IN NEW ATTACKS

Petrograd, Aug. 9.—Announcement was made today by the war office that the Russians have occupied Tyumen, in Galicia, on the river Verone. On August 7, General Letichitsky's army took 7,400 prisoners, including 2,500 Germans and 45 machine guns.

### AUSTRIANS LOSE 10,000 TROOPS ON ISONZO LINE

Rome, Aug. 9.—Italian troops engaged the Austrian army at Gorizia this morning, the war office announced today.

Thus far, 10,000 Austrians have been captured. The troops have crossed the Isonzo in the vicinity of Gorizia and consolidated the further bank. Occupation of the heights west of Gorizia has been completed. The Italian cavalry is pursuing the Austrians beyond the river.

### British Troops Make Gains Near Pozieres

London, Aug. 9.—A further advance by the British on the Somme front north of Pozieres was announced today by the war office.

### German Troops Push Fighting on Somme

Paris, Aug. 9.—The Germans made violent attacks last night on the positions taken by the French north of

### ANDERSON FIRST ADULT VICTIM OF PLAGUE TO DIE

Springfield Young Man Succumbs to Poliomyelitis at Hillside.

### CASE ONE OF RAREST TYPE THAT IS KNOWN

Sophian Says City Hospital Will Be Established Here Soon.

The first death of an adult infantile paralysis patient in this state since the beginning of the epidemic, occurred here this morning when Harold Anderson, 21, of Springfield, died at Hillside home.

Anderson's case was one of the rarest and most peculiar of poliomyelitis cases, according to physicians. He was afflicted with the Landry or ascending type of the disease, which paralyzes all the limbs after spreading with great rapidity. Only the most strenuous measures have kept Anderson alive since Sunday, when he was taken to the home, it is said.

Anderson came to this city from Springfield, and lived at 304 Colorado avenue. He was killed in the latter part of last week, but Sunday his case was diagnosed as actual poliomyelitis.

His is the eighth death for Bridgeport. There have been 36 cases here, making the mortality rate something over 22 per cent. Dr. Sophian said today that this is comparatively low, as in epidemics, the mortality runs as high as 30 per cent. In normal times it is in the neighborhood of 10 or 12 per cent.

Excitement reigned in the neighborhood of 175 Poplar street today when, under stress of emotion, Mrs. George Primaverio fainted, and her husband created great disturbance. Their two-year-old child, Alice, was removed to Hillside home yesterday because she was found to have infantile paralysis, and this morning the parents became excited, fearing for her. The ambulance corps was called and Dr. J. P. Deery treated Mrs. Primaverio.

"The case of the five weeks' old son of Walter Blude of 360 Grand street was declared definite today. Another new case was added to the list, that of Dorothy Guerro, of 338 William street.

Nellie Boywid of 1159 Howard avenue, was reported considerably improved this morning at Hillside Home. She is expected to recover.

Quarantines were lifted today at the homes of Rudolph Kore, of 227 Union avenue, who died, and Annie Horvath, of 173 Pine street. The Horvath case, suspected at first to be poliomyelitis, proved to be typhoid fever and the girl has been removed to the Bridgeport hospital.

Dr. Sophian announced today that it looks as if Bridgeport will have a city hospital very soon. Business men of the city have pledged themselves to see that the hospital is established.

Private subscription is expected to finance the institution. It was intimated that those who conferred on the project decided it will take too long for the municipality to "start things going."

Although setting a date on after which no milk but that can pass the test shall be sold in Bridgeport has been postponed several times, the health board expects to reach a decision next Tuesday. It is explained that the members wish to give the milk dealers every opportunity to understand the situation.

Dr. Sophian said today that the impression seems to be prevalent that there is a misunderstanding over the milk situation. He said there isn't.

"We don't care whether milk dealers pasteurize or not. What we are trying to do is to get wholesome milk and we plan that none but wholesome milk shall be sold in Bridgeport. Pasteurization seems to be the logical way of making all milk wholesome."

"However, the milk dealers say their milk is wholesome and that they don't want to sell any but wholesome milk. They have agreed to the sanitary regulations. They have agreed to attain a maximum bacterial count of 50,000 per c. c. We have established 10,000 as the limit, but if the dealers are willing to observe the 50,000 limit, we'll (Continued on Page 2.)

### INFANT SCOURGE KILLS 57 BABES IN DAY IN N. Y.

New High Record of Victims of Paralysis Epidemic is Made.

New York, Aug. 9.—The epidemic of infantile paralysis broke all previous death records here today. The plague killed 57 children during the 24 hour period ending at 10 a. m. One hundred and eighty-three new cases were reported to the health department.

The spread of the disease during the last 48 hours has been steady and general. There have been 5,516 cases and 1,261 deaths since the beginning of the epidemic. The previous high record in deaths, 55, was reported on August 2.

### SECRETARY LANE HEADS U. S. BORDER MEDIATORS; BRANDEIS ALSO CHOSEN

Washington, Aug. 9.—Formal announcement was made today by Acting Secretary Polk, of the acceptance of General Carranza's proposal for a joint international commission to seek a solution of border disputes and to discuss other matters which may help clarify relations between the United States and Mexico. Only the time and place for the conference remained to be decided.

Secretary Lane, of the interior department will head the American commission, supported by Associate Justice Louis D. Brandeis, of the supreme court, and a third commissioner whose name will be announced later. A telegram asking the third man to serve was sent today by President Wilson and his name will not be disclosed until his acceptance is received.

The Mexican commissioners were named some days ago, Luis Cabrera, minister of finance in the Carranza government, heading the delegation. This made necessary the appointment of a member of President Wilson's cabinet in the American membership.

Today's announcement followed a brief conference between Mr. Polk and Eliseo Arredondo, Carranza's ambassador-designate. Final assurance was given by Mr. Arredondo that Carranza was in complete accord with suggestions of the Washington government that the discussion of the commission be given the broadest possible scope. The ambassador said that his government regarded its recent note as a full answer and acceptance of Secretary Polk's suggestions that the scope be broadened.

As it begins its task the commission will be required first to reach some conclusion on the specific points outlined by General Carranza in his original proposal. The first subject treated under this view would be the withdrawal of American troops from Mexico to be followed by negotiation of a protocol covering future military operations along the border.

Since these two points are closely interwoven it is believed the commission will couple them together in whatever recommendations it has to make.

State department officials said it was not necessary for all matters to be worked out before recommendations could be submitted for ratification. On the other hand, it was regarded as possible that each agreement reached by the commission would be reported to the two governments separately. The conclusions of the commission will be in no way binding upon either government until both have ratified any suggested plan.

### LIGHTNING HITS HOUSE TWICE IN THUNDER STORM

Two Cows Killed By Bolt and Other Damage Done in Bridgeport.

The home of J. W. Dunn in Barnum avenue, Stratford, was struck by lightning and two Holstein cows worth \$350 were struck and killed during the storm yesterday.

The first bolt of lightning in the Dunn home flashed through the lower floors and disappeared through a rear window, doing little damage. The bolt apparently came from the clouded sky and struck the chimney, bringing all the bricks down on the roof. The first bolt followed a draft to the Dunn home during the storm of the afternoon. Mrs. Dunn immediately ran to the home of a neighbor.

The second bolt came with the storm of the evening. There was no one home at the time. The damage is estimated at \$25.

The Holstein cows were part of the herd at Burnside, the old Calhoun property, which the Burns Co. has recently taken over. The herd is in charge of J. H. Riley. The property has been named Burnside. The Burns Co. has been named Burnside. The Burns Co. has been named Burnside.

The horns and heads of both animals were blackened. The Burns Co. is organizing a fine herd of milk cows, and contemplates entering milk delivery business, catering only to high class family trade when the present crusade against infantile disease here has been adjusted.

### Plunge In Sound Costs Baker \$78

A plunge in the waters of Long Island Sound that cost Albert Schreiber of 1115 Gilbert street \$78 to take a swim at the public bath houses at Seaside park yesterday. He was not arrested for any violation of the law and fined that amount but someone took the roll from his trousers while he was disposing himself in the surf.

Schreiber is one of the cake bakers at the Bridgeport Public market and yesterday believed that a "dip in the after working in front of the hot ovens briny" would about counteract the feeling which the heat caused. Packing his bathing suit, he treaded his way to the bath houses but to his sorrow found that they were all crowded and a line had formed of those waiting to get keys.

But, as luck would have it, Schreiber is a friend of Philip Mitchell, keeper of the bath house, and the latter, obligingly, allowed Schreiber to use the private room where Mr. Mitchell's friends and the life guards dress. The door of the room was locked after Schreiber had donned his bathing suit and was ready for the water. He asked Mr. Mitchell's daughter to hold the money for him but she said that they never did that and Schreiber left the greenbacks in his trousers while he cavorted in the salt sea waves.

After enjoying a swim of about a half hour's duration, he went in and got dressed and placing his hand in his pocket was almost distracted to find that the money was missing. He complained to the keeper but was told that the money should have been left with him for safe keeping. Mr. Mitchell was told that his daughter would not hold the money but he said the money should have been left with him. Schreiber complained to the police last night but the money is still missing.

### TRYING PAN IS WEAPON

An argument over the use of a clothes line at the tenement house at 203 Bowditch avenue resulted in a fight between Mrs. Mary Dematar and Mrs. Katherine Noygfyk yesterday afternoon in which Mrs. Dematar wielded a frying pan with telling effect. She was fined \$10 and costs in the city court today and took an appeal under bonds of \$75.

### BRIDGEPORTER KILLED; OTHER HURT BY SHOCK

Live Wire Drops Upon Motorcyclist's Side Car In Storm at Torrington.

### FRANK JOHNSON IS VICTIM OF SHOCK

Companion, Hanford Nichols, Lies Prostrated, Both Legs Paralyzed.

(Special to The Farmer.)

Torrington, Aug. 9.—One Bridgeport young man was killed and another was seriously injured here yesterday afternoon when the side-car motorcycle they were riding ran into a broken electric light wire. Frank Johnson, aged 21, of 247 Maplewood avenue, who was in the side-car, was shocked to death and Hanford B. Nichols, of 547 Ellsworth street is suffering today from paralysis of his lower limbs.

The accident occurred during the terrific storm that struck Torrington at 2:30 o'clock. The pair was passing through Main street when the car encountered the suspended "live" wire. Two primary wires had been broken by a falling limb of a tree and were hanging over the roadway. One of these struck Nichols, who was driving the motorcycle, and knocked him off. The other wire became entangled in the handlebars of the machine and Johnson was unable to clear himself from the wire and was killed by the 2,300 volts that it carried. He got part way out of the car and his face was in the water in the gutter, but one leg was in contact with the metal of the car and completed the circuit for the current.

Dr. C. H. Parlin, whose office is nearby, telephoned to the power station to have the current turned off, but it was about 15 minutes before this was done. The pulmotor was sent for and efforts were made to restore respiration, but after a half hour's work, it was given up.

Nichols' back was injured when he was knocked from the machine. He attempted to run the cycle afterward but was unable. He was taken to the office of Dr. H. B. Chapin and later sent to his home in Bridgeport.

At his home, paralysis of his lower limbs set in and he was unable to walk today.

The men left Bridgeport Sunday morning and stopped at a farm north of Winsted where Nichols' father is spending the summer. They were on their way back to Bridgeport when the accident happened.

Employed in J. G. Burroughs' auto supply store in Bridgeport, Johnson worked for his father, a carpenter and builder. The body was sent to Bridgeport today.

### PASSENGER ROBS HIS CHAUFFEUR, THEN TAKES CAR

Stamford, Aug. 9.—The police of Stamford and neighboring towns are today looking for a short man, clothed in a dark suit and straw hat, who last night robbed, at the point of a revolver, Edward J. Donahue, of this city and then disappeared in the latter's car. According to the police the man engaged Donahue's automobile with Donahue as driver for a trip to Cold Spring Road, some distance out of the city. On arriving there the stranger pointed a revolver at Donahue and took from him \$15 in cash, jewelry and other trinkets and then forcing him to drive to the machine, drove off in the direction of Greenwich. Later the automobile was found near there with the engine stalled but the stranger had disappeared.

### ONE HURT, PANIC ON TRAIN WHEN FUSE BLOWS OUT

New York, Aug. 9.—The blowing out of a fuse in a car of an east-bound electric passenger train of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad, as it was leaving the city today set the car on fire, injured one woman passenger and caused a panic among the others. The car was cut out of the train, the fire extinguished and traffic resumed.

### Sheriff and Deputies To Be Guests at Party

County Sheriff Simeon Pease and 20 of his deputies will go to Greenwich tomorrow to be the guests of Deputy Harold Allen of that borough. They will be entertained at the Greenwich Yacht club. It will be Deputy Allen's birthday but he is keeping his age a dark secret. Deputy Cunningham of this city has promised to make a speech if he is coaxed enough.

### THE WEATHER

Generally fair tonight and Thursday; somewhat cooler tonight. Moderate southwest to north winds.

### U. S. BOARD WILL SETTLE DIFFERENCES

Employees Accept Proffer of Mediation From Federal Officials After Managers Again Wholly Reject Their Demands.

Brotherhoods, While Willing to Submit Grievances to Board, Refuse to Join With Managers in Appeal to That Body.

New York, Aug. 9.—The threatened strike of the 400,000 railway employees of the United States was averted today when the railroad brotherhoods accepted a proffer of the United States board of mediation and conciliation to mediate their differences with the railroads.

The managers previously had rejected again the demands of the men and had proposed a submission of the differences to the federal board of mediation. This proposal, A. B. Garretson, in behalf of the brotherhoods, rejected.

Mr. Garretson was willing, however, that the railroads make the appeal to the board and indicated that the brotherhoods' reply to the proffer from the board would be favorable.

Chairman Lee, in rejecting the brotherhoods' demands and proposing mediation, made a statement in part as follows:

"The national conference committee of the railroads has again given most careful consideration to the matters in controversy between us and to all that has been said in our various conferences. We have also carefully considered the serious situation presented by the result of the strike vote of employees and the grave responsibility which rests on both parties to the conference to exhaust every honorable means to avert the public injury which must inevitably result should you decide to exercise the power."

"The national conference committee of the railroads is as sincerely anxious as your committee can be to reach some amicable adjustment of the matters involved in the controversy but we are convinced that in the end we shall have to invoke the friendly offices of the board of mediation."

Judge W. L. Chambers, chairman of the United States Board of Mediation and Conciliation, announced after the meeting that the railroads had formally appealed to the board to mediate their differences with the unions.

The board immediately prepared a communication to the Brotherhoods offering its services, which it was announced would be dispatched to the Brotherhood chiefs at once.

Elisha Lee, chairman of the railroad conference, in proposing that their differences be mediated by the federal board, called attention to the fact that the Brotherhoods had previously declined arbitration under the Newlands act, but that the railroads saw no other way out of their difficulties than through mediation.

Mr. Garretson reiterated the contention of the Brotherhoods that in previous attempts to settle differences with the railroads through the federal board the Brotherhoods had failed to obtain satisfactory awards and said that the unions believed they could reach a settlement by dealing directly with the directors.

"I believe," he said, "settlement of our differences can be much better attained by dealing directly with you without the interference of a third party."

Meantime, it was stated the board would remain in session to await the Brotherhoods' reply.

It was indicated by members of the board that the communication was being sent on the assumption that the Brotherhoods would accept their offer. A reply was expected this afternoon, it was said.

Both sides, after adjournment, went into executive session. Mr. Garretson explained to newspapermen that the union had not declined mediation unequivocally but had refused to join with the railroads in asking for it because they did not believe in it at this time. The Brotherhoods' chief, together with his colleagues, W. R. Stone, related that their position was that they had not yet exhausted all the possibilities by dealing directly with the managers.

"However," said Mr. Garretson, "our position is something like this: 'We are waiting and willing.'"

MCHUGH ESTATE \$425  
An equity of \$425 in real estate in Milne street, is shown in the inventory submitted in the probate court today of the estate of Mary J. McHugh by the appraisers B. F. Cooney and Edward J. Fairchild. There is no personal property.

### FORM MILLION DOLLAR COMBINE TO PROVIDE WORKERS WITH HOUSES

Bridgeport capitalists, actuated by the need of housing for the masses have formed a million dollar company to build and finance the immediate construction of 1,000 houses for factory employees.

Papers of incorporation for the Bridgeport Housing Co. were filed with the Secretary of State today. The incorporators are DeVer H. Warner, H. H. DeLoss, Charles G. Sanford, Walter B. Lashar and David S. Day. The capital stock of \$1,000,000 is divided into shares at \$25 par which will be offered to the public.

The plan has been evolved by the Chamber of Commerce, which has worked on the housing problem for the past three months, and will be carried out along lines laid down by City Planner John Nolen, of Cambridge, Mass., retained in an advisory capacity.

Mr. Nolen's report, forming a volume of fact and figures, goes into detail of the housing problem confronting the city. It depicts the speculation in land by outside firms who have gained a considerable control of available building land which is held at figures prohibitive to building, shows that the price of building material has advanced abnormally in the last year and criticizes the administration in its street, sewer, school and traffic management. It again points out the fact that the trolley service is inadequate for Bridgeport. He summarizes the housing situation here as "desperate."

Inquiry by Nolen's investigators in the city, as outlined in the report, shows that there is a big demand for cottages and better apartments in Bridgeport. "The essentials of this better housing method recommended are cheaper land, broad planning of the neighborhood, low density of houses per acre, wholesome modern

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